

REMARKS

Claim 1 is pending in the application. Claim 1 has been amended. Claims 2-20 have been added. Claims 1-20 accordingly remain pending in the application. Additionally, Applicants have amended the specification at pages 3 and 5-6 in response to requests by the Examiner. Applicants respectfully submit that these amendments and new claims add no new matter. Applicants therefore respectfully request entry of these amendments and new claims.

Examiner Interview

Applicants appreciate the courtesies extended by the Examiner in the interview on June 22, 2010. Applicants believe that the amendments included herewith conform to the substance of that interview.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 101

Claim 1 stood rejected under U.S.C. 101 as being directed to non-statutory matter. While Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection, Applicants have nevertheless amended Claim 1. The rejection is thus believed moot.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102

Claim 1 stood rejected under U.S.C. 102 as being anticipated by United States Patent #6,738,125 to Bates, et al. While Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection, Applicants have nevertheless amended Claim 1 and added new Claims 2-20. As discussed in the interview of June 22, 2010, Applicants believe that amended Claim 1 and new Claims 2-20 now recite features not taught or suggested in the cited art. The rejection is thus believed moot. In light of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that all pending claims are now in condition for allowance, and an early notice to that effect is earnestly solicited. If a phone interview would speed allowance of any pending claims, such is requested at the Examiner's convenience.

If any extensions of time (under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136) are necessary to prevent the above referenced application(s) from becoming abandoned, Applicant(s) hereby petition for such extensions. If any fees are due, the Commissioner is authorized to charge said fees to Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert, & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account No. 501505/5181-90700.

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